Public Hearing Proposed 2021-2022 Budget June 1, 2021

On June 1, 2021, at 6:50 p.m., the Haysi Town Council conducted a Public Hearing held in the Council Chambers of the Haysi Town Hall Municipal Building located at 322 Main Street, Haysi, Virginia.

The purpose of the Public Hearing was to receive public comments and input on Proposed 2021-2022 Budget.

Mayor Yates called the Public Hearing in session at 6:50 PM.

Mayor Yates opened the floor for public comment. Council Member Billy Counts requested confirmation that there were no tax increases and that "everything was pretty much the same." Mayor Yates replied that he was correct. Vice Mayor Rocky Wood asked about getting names on individual gas cards. Clerk Perrigan advised that it was problematic with part time employees sharing a fuel card and the fire department. Council Member Tim Wallace asked if Kirsten Deel quit her job. Mayor Yates answered yes. Council Member Wallace asked if her position was grant funded. Mayor Yates answered that it was not grant funded; the town funded the position and was currently looking at an internal transfer. Council Member Tim Wallace asked if the additional employee was "worth it." Mayor Yates answered yes and asked Clerk Amanda Perrigan for details. Clerk Perrigan explained that the town has budgeted five hours a week for the position in the new budget and had remaining funds to accommodate that scheduled in the current budget. Council Member Billy Counts commented that last year was a "bust." Tammy Owens asked if she could apply for the Special Projects Coordinator position. Mayor Yates advised that the position was not open. Tammy Owens asked about separate accounting for the riverfront and trail center projects. Mayor Yates advised that those projects had separate accounting measures. Ms. Owens asked about the location of the money. Mayor Yates answered that the money had not been drawdown yet. Ms. Owens commented about the Special Projects Coordinator handling the accounting for those projects. Clerk Perrigan advised that she did the accounting and grant administration for the town financials. Mayor Yates explained that a team made up of the town and grantors was organized and held regular meetings to manage the projects. Ms. Owens asked about the stakeholders. Mayor Yates advised that the town was the stakeholder and worked with four or five different funders.

At 7:00 p.m., Mayor Yates closed the Public Hearing.

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Clerk of Council		